IN THE CLAIMS:

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(Amended) A process for producing foamed polyisocyanate polyaddition products or polyurethane elastomers by reacting isocyanates with compounds which are reactive toward isocyanates in the presence of catalysts, blowing agents, additives and/or auxiliaries, wherein the reaction is carried out in the presence of (ii) at least one organic or inorganic acid anhydride and at least one urethane forming catalyst selected from the group consisting of organic amines, excluding alkanolarnines, and organic metal compounds.

Please add the following new claims:

(New) The foamed polyisocyanate polyaddition products or polyurethane elastomers made according to the process of claim 1 comprising unreacted organic or inorganic acid anhydride.

(New) The foamed polyisocyanate polyaddition product or polyurethane elastomer of claim comprising a flexible polyurethane shoe sole.

9. (New) A flexible polyurethane foam having a density of 20 to 70 kg/m³ comprising at least one organic or inorganic acid anhydride.

(New) A mattress and/or upholstery material and/or carpet material comprising flexible polyurethane foam having a density of 15 to 300 kg/m³ wherein said foam comprises at least one organic or inorganic acid anhydride.